

CLAIMS

What is claimed as new and desired to be protected by Letters Patent of the United States is:

1. A surgical draping system comprising a flexible drape of sterilizable material, wherein the drape is folded so as to be placed across an operating surface prior to the patient, and pulled so that the drape unfolds to cover the end of the table.

2. The surgical draping system of claim 1, wherein the drape is folded with accordion folds.
3. The surgical draping system of claim 1, wherein a handle extends from a leading edge of the drape.
4. The surgical draping system of claim 1, further comprising a bag containing the folded drape.
5. The surgical draping system of claim 4, further comprising an adhesive on the bag for securing the bag to the operating table.
6. The surgical draping system of claim 1, further comprising a pair of leggings to be placed over the legs of the patient.
7. A method of isolating a patient from the operating table in surgical procedures using a surgical draping system, the method comprising:
placing a folded surgical drape on the operating table; and
unfolding the folded surgical drape to isolate the patient from the operating table.
8. The method of claim 7, wherein the patient is placed on the surgical drape prior to unfolding the drape.
9. The method of claim 7, further comprising placing coverings on at least one extremity of the patient.
10. The method of claim 7, further comprising placing an top drape on the patient.